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IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of Claims will replace all prior versions and listings of Claims in the application:

Claims 1-28 (Cancelled)

29. (New) A cosmetic method for the treatment of wrinkles comprising:

applying to a person having wrinkles, an effective amount of a
composition comprising as an active ingredient, one or more
rhamnolipids of Formula I:

$$HO$$
 O
 CH
 CH_2
 C
 CH_2
 C
 R_1
 R_3

wherein R^1 = H, unsubstituted α -L-rhamnopyranosyl, α .-L-rhamnopyranosyl substituted at the 2 position with a group of formula -O-C(=O)-CH=CH-R₅, or -O-C(=O)-CH=CH-R₅;

 $R^2 = H$, lower alkyl, $-CHR_4-CH_2-COOH$ or $-CHR_4-CH_2-COOR_6$;

 $R^3 = -(CH_2)_x - CH_3$, wherein x = 4-19;

 $R^4 = -(CH_2)_y - CH_3$, wherein y = 1-19;

 $R^5 = (CH_2)_z - CH_3$, wherein z = 1-12; and

 R^6 = lower alkyl.

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30. (New) The cosmetic method as claimed in claim 29, wherein said rhamnolipid of Formula 1 is α -L-rhamnopyranosyl-(1,2)- α -L-rhamnopyranosyl)-3-hydroxydecanoyl-3-hydroxydecanoic acid having the following formula:

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$$H_3C$$
 H_0
 O
 CH
 CH_2
 C
 CH_3
 CH_3
 CH_3
 CH_3
 CH_3
 CH_3
 CH_3
 CH_3
 CH_3

31. (New) The cosmetic method as claimed in claim 29, wherein the one or more rhamnolipids of Formula 1 are selected from the group consisting of compounds of Formula 1 wherein:

$$R^1 = -O-C(=O)-CH = CH-R_5$$
, $R^2 = -CHR_4-CH_2 -COOH$, $R^3 = -(CH_2)_6-CH_3$, $R^4 = -(CH_2)_2-CH_3$, and $R^5 = -(CH_2)_6-CH_3$;

 R^1 = α -L-rhamnopyranosyl substituted at the 2-position by -O-C(=0)-CH = CH- R^5 , R^2 = -CH R^4 -CH₂-COOCH₃, R^3 = (CH₂)₆-CH₃, R^4 = -(CH₂)₆-CH₃, and R^5 = -(CH₂)₆-CH₃;

$$R^1 = -O-C(=O)-CH = CH-R_5$$
, $R^2 = -CHR_4-CH_2 -COOCH_3$, $R^3 = -(CH_2)_6-CH_3$, $R^4 = -(CH_2)_2-CH_3$, and $R^5 = -(CH_2)_6-CH_3$; and

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 $\rm R^{1}=$ $\alpha-L-rhamnopyranosyl$ substituted at the 2-position by -O-C(=O)-CH=CH-R⁵, $\rm R^{2}$ = -CHR⁴-CH₂-COOCH₃, $\rm R^{3}$ = -(CH₂)₆-CH₃, $\rm R^{4}$ = -(CH₂)₆-CH₃, and $\rm R^{5}$ = -(CH₂)₆-CH₃.

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32. (New) A cosmetic method for the treatment of wrinkles comprising:
 applying to a person having wrinkles, an effective amount of a
composition comprising as an active ingredient, one or more
rhamnolipids of Formula I:

$$HO$$
 O
 CH
 CH_2
 C
 CH_2
 C
 R_2

wherein R^1 = H, unsubstituted α -L-rhamnopyranosyl, α .-L-rhamnopyranosyl substituted at the 2 position with a group of formula -O-C (=0)-CH=CH-R₅, or -O-C (=0)-CH=CH-R₅;

 $R^2 = H$, lower alkyl, $-CHR_4-CH_2-COOH$ or $-CHR_4-CH_2-COOR_6$;

 $R^3 = -(CH_2)_x - CH_3$, wherein x = 4-19;

 $R^4 = -(CH_2)_y - CH_3$, wherein y = 1-19;

 $R^5 = (CH_2)_z - CH_3$, wherein z = 1-12; and

 R^6 = lower alkyl;

wherein the composition is applied from 1-3 times per day to the wrinkled areas.

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33. (New) The cosmetic method as claimed in claim 29, wherein the composition is administered in topical form.

- 34. (New) The cosmetic method as claimed in claim 29, wherein the composition further comprises one or more cosmetic carriers and/or diluents.
- 35. (New) The cosmetic method as claimed in claim 29, wherein the rhamnolipid is administered in an amount averaging from about 0.01 to about 1.0 % weight over a period of at least one day to six weeks.